LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2004, upon the application of MANTI OPERATING COMPANY. At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 8750' Sand, Reservoirs A and B and the Lower Cris I Sand, Reservoirs A and C, in the Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

8750' SAND, RESERVOIRS A AND B AND LOWER CRIS I SAND, RESERVOIR C

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 8750' Sand, Reservoirs A and B and from the Lower Cris I Sand, Reservoir C.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for each of these sands and reservoirs, such units being shown on the plats submitted with the application and being designated 8750 RA SUA, 8750 RB SUA and L CRIS I RC SUA.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interest within each of the proposed units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate Manti Operating Company as operator of , and its Theresa L Meyer et al No. 1 Well as the unit well for, 8750 RA SUA; and to designate a unit well and unit operator for 8750 RB SUA and L CRIS I RC SUA as may be appropriate.
- 5. To provide that future wells drilled to any of these sands and reservoirs be located in accordance with the provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit well for these units be exempt from the well locations provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 7. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify any of these sands and reservoirs by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
- 8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 8750' Sand, in the Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, was defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 8,820' and 9,192' (8,764' and 9,074' TVD), in the Manti Operating Company - Theresa L Meyer et al No. 1 Well and between the measured depths of 8,805' and 9,680' in the Richardson & Bass - Una Meyer Cosse et al No. 1-S Well, both of these wells being located in Section 19, Township 14 South, Range 12 East.

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The Lower Cris I Sand, in the Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is presently defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 27-F, effective September 18, 1991, as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 9,896' and 10,116' (9,679' and 9,899' TVD) in the Manti Operating Company - State Lease 17265 No. 1 Well, located in Section 19, Township 14 South, Range 12 East.

LOWER CRIS I SAND, RESERVOIR A

- 1. To dissolve the units designated L CRIS I RA SUA, created by Office of Conservation Order No. 27-F, effective September 18, 1991, and L CRIS I RA SUB, created by Office of Conservation Order No. 27-F-1, effective November 19, 2002, and simultaneously therewith to create a single revised drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Lower Cris I Sand, Reservoir A, said revised unit being shown on the plat submitted with the application and being designated L CRIS I RA SUA.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed revised unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To designate Manti Operating Company as operator of, and its State Lease 17265 No. 1 Well as the unit well for the proposed revised unit.
- 4. To further define the Lower Cris I Sand in the manner provided hereinabove.
- 5. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit well for this unit be exempt from the well location provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify this sand and reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
- 7. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the pertinent provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 27-F, effective September 18, 1991, to the proposed revised unit.
- 8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Lower Cris I Sand, Reservoir A, in the Stella Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is currently defined in Office of Conservation Order No.27-F, effective September 18, 1991.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

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All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 1/6/04;1/9/04 L dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.